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**“WHAT IT MEANS TO BE GARIFUNA-AMERICAN”  
2014 Domitila Flavia Fernandez Saravia  
Essay Contest  
ENTRY FORM & RULES**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTEST RULES-Due February 28<sup>th</sup> 2014**

First-place winner receives \$300. Second place receives \$200. Third place receives \$100.

- The essay must contain at least 500 words.
- The essay must have a cover sheet with your name, grade and telephone
- The essay must be original.
- The essay must be typed and double spaced.
- Participants must attend a New York City High school.
- All participants will receive certificates and contest winners must be present to receive monetary awards.
- All participants will qualify to participate in the “Lirahüñü Chatoyer” (Chatoyer’s Children) Garifuna Youth Leadership Development Program.
- The awards will be presented during the Garifuna-American Heritage Month Ceremony in the Bronx
- First place Winner will read their essays at the Awards Ceremony.

**JUDGING ESSAYS**

- Essays will be judged on the following criteria: Originality: 25 percent; Clarity: 25 percent; Spelling: 25 percent; Grammar: 25 percent.

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent /Guardian Signature (if under 18)  
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Parent/Guarding Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_



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## **Third Annual Domitila Flavia Fernandez Saravia Essay Contest**

### **“WHAT IT MEANS TO BE GARIFUNA-AMERICAN”**

Each student this year is to write an essay entitled “What does it mean to be Garifuna American?” telling in at least 500 words how they manifest Being Garifuna in the world today.

Students in grades nine through twelve are invited to participate in the essay contest.

**DEADLINE -February 28<sup>th</sup> 2014, 3 p.m.**

Students may submit their essays by email to the Garifuna Coalition USA, at [info@garifunacoalition.org](mailto:info@garifunacoalition.org)

**PRIZES:** The prizes are sponsored by Ms. Domitila Flavia Fernandez Saravia's daughter Araceli Nunez.

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT  
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